

Fiscal Note

Fiscal Services Division



HF 493 – Salary Repayment Plan for Convicted Professors (LSB 1551HV)
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Description

House File 493 requires Regents university and community college faculty members that are on paid administrative leave when charged with a public offense to repay the salary they received while on leave if they are convicted.

Background

The University of Iowa recently has had two faculty members receive \$430,000 while on paid administrative leave because of criminal charges, but neither the University of Northern Iowa or Iowa State University have placed faculty members on paid administrative leave for criminal charges in the last several years.

Over the past five years, three of the 15 community colleges have had a total of nine faculty members charged with a serious misdemeanor or more serious crime. Five were convicted. A total of 30 days were covered by paid leave at a salary cost of \$5,000.

Summary of Impacts

These incidents occur too infrequently to identify a trend or fiscal impact.

Sources

Board of Regents

Department of Education

<http://www.kcrq.com/news/local/Paid-Leaves-for-Charged-Professors-Cost-University-of-Iowa--109932074.html>

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